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CONNELLSVILLE, PA, THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 4 1902

ONE CENT

FULLER IN CABINET.

Washington Reporter Says
He Is Slated for Secre-
tary of Commonwealth

UNDER GOVERNOR PENNYPACKER

Bill to Appropriation \$50,000 to Defray
the Expenses of the Anthracite Coal
Strike Commission Passes the Law
Branch of Congress

Washington Dec 4.—It was late
the last night by friends of Mr. Full-
er of Uniontown that he will be
offered the post of Secretary of the
Commonwealth in Governor Pennypack-
er's Cabinet. The statement was
made with much positiveness by a
man who claimed to have obtained
information from a friend of Mr.
Fuller who was present when the ten-
der of the position was made to the
latter. The disposition here is to be
have the story especially as it is
known that Senator Quay had desired
for some time to give the Fayette
county man a place. Mr. Fuller was
offered the Marshalship of the West
ern district of Western Pennsylvania
last year when the new middle dis-
trict was created but declined the
place as he had previously declined
an offer of the Deputy Secretaryship
of the Commonwealth.

The friends of Secretary of the Com-
monwealth Gries of Lancaster claim
he will be retained in the new Cabinet
and that Mr. Durkin will hold on to
his place as Insurance Commis-
sioner that there will be changes in the
Attorney General, Banking Com-
missioner and Adjutant General of the
State Guard. Judge Pennypacker too
it is said may prove a little stubborn
and insist on making his own selec-
tions for Cabinet places.

Washington Dec 4.—The senate
yesterday began the real work of dis-
posing of the business before it al-
though the session lasted only an hour
and a half. When an adjournment was
taken at 1:30 o'clock out of respect
to the memory of Representative De
Graffenreid and Sheppard of Texas
the bill to amend the immigration laws
was under discussion. Early in the
day Mr. Nelson from the committee
on territories reported a substitute for
the omnibus statehood bill with the
recommendation that Oklahoma and
Indian territory be admitted into the
union as one state under the name of
Oklahoma. When the immigration
bill was brought up Mr. Quay pre-
cipitated a discussion over the status of
the statehood bill which was terminat-
ed by a ruling from the chair that
beginning on December 10 it would be
the unfinished business and at the
close of the morning hour each day
it would be laid before the senate on
less dispensed by a vote of that body.

In the House

Washington Dec 4.—The House
yesterday passed the bill to appropriate
\$50,000 to defray the expenses of
the anthracite commission and then
adjourned until Friday, when the Lon-
don dock charge bill will be consid-
ered. There were two hours of discussion
on the commission bill during
which the President's course in creating
the commission was highly com-
mended except by Mr. Benton a Mis-
souri Democrat who contended that
the commission was created without
authority of law or constitution.
There was some criticism of the fa-
ture of the bill allowing double \$1
arrears to members of the commission
now in government employ and also
because the bill set the amount of
compensation of the members to the
President. But all amendments were
voted down. The bill was passed with-
out division.

Mr. McDermott (N. J.) pointed out
the fact that the title commission
had no power behind it. He thought
the commission should be given power
to make an investigation and should
report its findings to Congress.

Mr. Cannon argued that the bill
should pass in the form in which pre-
sented. If the President's veto had
been without authority of law or con-
stitution Mr. Cannon said it had been
taken in response to an overwhelming
public sentiment coming up from the
whole country of 8,000,000 people
which begot an action for the express
purpose to represent larger than the
constitution.

To Pay Mitchell's Expenses

Mr. Griffith (Ind.) offered an amend-
ment to provide for the payment of
the expenses of John Mitchell, presi-
dent of the United Mine Workers. He
excused the service of Mr. Mitchell in
bringing the strike to an end.

Mr. Cannon paid a high tribute to
Mr. Mitchell who he said was a true
citizen of Illinois, but said he did

not believe Mr. Mitchell would en-
dorse such a cheap John proposal.

The amendment was voted

down.

The bill was then passed without di-
vision. At that time there were several

divisive votes on the democratic side.

The house then at 2:35 p.m. ad-
journed until Friday.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES

The army debt list cast off from
Manhattan yesterday's date totals
\$1,000,000,000 including ten debts from
various cities and eight from foreign

countries.

Mr. Cannon, the returning French am-
bassador to the United States yesterday
arrived in New York where he will stay
for a week. He will be in the Champlain for
the first few days.

Sen. H. Westcott introduced
the bill yesterday for a limit on
the national debt between the ages of
17 and 21 years.

Representative Powers of Massa-
chusetts introduced a bill in the house
yesterday to prohibit law providing
for a national debt, one land
or state, in the law and the omission
of the expenses of the home territory.

TWO MEN DROWNED

Charles Love and John Rock Go Over
Lock No 6

Uniontown Dec 4.—Charles Love
and John Rock were drowned yester-
evening in the Monongahela river at
Rice Landing. The two men had
on their way to cross the river from the
Greene county side and start for
Uniontown. They drifted with the current
and were carried high before they
were noticed and then it was
too late to prevent the drift from point-
ing over the dam of Lock No 6. Whether
or not the men could swim is not
known.

Both of them went down with the
skiff filling some 18 or 20 feet. The
body had not yet recovered up to
now today.

Love was the owner of a store in
Rice's Landing. Rock was employed
in the store. After the store closed
last evening, the two were returning
goods to a family on the Fayette county
line when the accident happened.

HANGED HIMSELF

John Felgar Used Hitching Strap to
End His Life

Scotdale Dec 4.—John Felgar,
aged 40 years, a well known farmer
living in the old Felgar homestead
near Nebo school house west of town
hung himself yesterday in his barn.
He was discovered late last night by
some neighbors who had been called
by his two sisters with whom he
lived to make a search for the missing
man. A hitching strap, had been
tied to a rafter and then about Fel-
gar's neck who used a bow as a means
of getting sufficient height. He had
been dead several hours when found.

Felgar was an inmate of Dixmont
for a number of years but came home
nearly a year ago as cured. He was
unmarried and at one time was a
prominent farmer in his section of the

It Ought to be Fine

There will be an institute at Con-
ningham school house Franklin town-
ship on Saturday December 6th. Su-
perintendent J. S. Carroll has been
very urgently requested to be present.
Also A. J. Gans of Everson, J. L. Keeler
of North Union, C. H. Cappell of Fayette
City, J. F. King of Smithfield,
Rev. Prosser of Dunbar, Rev. Keri of
Scarists, W. H. Martin of Pittsburgh,
Miss Jennie Arison of Flatwoods, Prof
T. C. Stevens of Redstone and Mosley
brothers of Wintersburg. The Directors
of Franklin township will meet the
teachers and people that day. P. P.
Dennis is Chairman and he promises
that some of the ablest speakers and
preachers public speakers will be
invited musicans in the country will be
present.

An Open Meeting

The Central Fraternal and Industrial
Council at its regular session Tues-
day night decided to hold an open
meeting for all organized labor and
the public on the 11th one night in
every month. Matters pertaining to
labor and economics generally will be
discussed and debated upon. In this
meeting there will be the date of the
first meeting. Some and recent then
will be also up of the authorities and
a good time promised to all who
attend. There will be provided for
those who wish to speak. A discussion
will be had in the on weeks intervening

Board of Health Organized

A Board of Health has been orga-
nized at Uniontown as the result of
the development of a case of small-
pox there. The members are Dr.
Cloud, E. C. Shuler, T. O. Smith, Dr.
L. Hague and J. J. Johnson.

GRIND OF THE COURTS

Verdicts Rendered in the Weiler, Aaron and Cox Cases From Here.

A SUIT FOR \$10,000 DAMAGES.

Ligation Against Campbell & Wilson
for Recovery on Two Notes for \$100
Each—Other Trials of Interest
from the Yough Region

Johnston v. L. A. Very in the 1st
circuit court in the p-

alit on a claim by Davis vs.
Johnston. The verdict was

for \$1000. The court will

not be able to get the

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STEEL AND IRON EARNINGS.

Will be the Largest in Their History

This Year

The earnings of the various steel

and iron companies for the year 1902

will be larger in the regular than in

any year in the history of the industry.

It is estimated that the net earnings of

the large steel and iron companies

will run close to \$200,000,000 of which

the United States Steel Corporation

will contribute something like \$75,000,000.

In the Steel Co's iron earnings

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STEAMER BLOWN UP.

Eleven Men Missing and a Score More Seriously Injured.

SHOCK WAS FELT A MILE AWAY

Explosion Resulted from the Generation of Gas in One of the Oil Chambers—Partial List of the Missing and Injured—Ships Broke in Two.

San Francisco, Dec. 4.—While the steamer *Progresso* was lying at the wharf of the Fulton iron works, at Harbor View, yesterday morning, an explosion occurred. As a result 11 men are missing, a score were more or less seriously injured and property valued at \$200,000 was destroyed. The missing: First Assistant Engineer Sparks Joseph Rex, Charles Glenn, Howard Dow, James Cavatt, Daniel Gallagher, Joseph McGuire, F. Nelson, C. C. McGregor, Jack Strand, Jack Ashton.

The list of seriously injured includes: Henry Conama, aged 18, arm amputated, Robert Gibson, both legs broken; A. Kane, fractured leg and foot; R. Busoil, fractured left wrist; George McNeely, severe burns; J. Morgan, injured about arms and legs; T. McGill, severely burned; Willie Vanderset, head bruised; Peter Hanner, fracture of right leg.

The disaster occurred at 9:45 o'clock while 40 mechanics of the iron works and 20 employees of the ship were on board.

Oil Tank Blew Up.
Below the decks the mechanics were busy completing the work of changing the vessel from a coal-burning coal carrier to an oil-burning oil carrier, when suddenly one of the oil tanks blew up. Men were hurled against the steel wall and a sheet of flame came sweeping into those places. On the upper deck men were buried into the air or thrown into the water. Three sailors engaged in washing paint from the pilot house disappeared as the cloud of smoke came up from the ship and were seen no more.

Following the explosion the ship sagged in the center, showing that she had broken in two. In the office of the iron works, 20 feet away, every window was shattered and flying glass cut the faces and hands of many of the officials and clerks. As they rushed out into the open survivors who were able to help themselves were leaping from the ship. A great crowd of mechanics came running out of the works. As soon as the panic had subsided these men set to work to rescue men from the burning vessel. A stream of burning oil running from the tanks spread out until the ship lay on waves of fire. The flames crept under the wharf and soon the timbers were blazing, adding to the difficulty of the work of rescue.

Oil Burned Fiercely.
As the ship was built of steel the fire was nearly all below deck. There were 11 oil tanks, containing about 400 barrels of oil, and despite the efforts of the firemen this continued to burn fiercely for hours after the explosion.

Several minor explosions due to the flames going from tank to tank occurred at short intervals, but all the injury and loss of life was caused by the first one. One peculiarity of the explosion was that several men who were on the other side of the bulkhead from where it occurred were uninjured, while others farther away were badly hurt. Several men in the yards were injured by flying debris.

The loss to the Fulton company by the wreck and the burning of the wharf will exceed \$20,000. It is estimated that the *Progresso* was worth \$175,000.

The explosion shook all the buildings at Harbor View and the shock was felt a mile away. In a few instances windows were broken several blocks from the scene.

James Spiers, Jr., general manager of the Fulton iron works, is positive that the explosion was due to the oil, and not to the bursting of the boiler. His theory is that gas was generated in one of the oil tanks. "It certainly was the explosion of a tank," he said. "If it had been a boiler explosion, a cloud of steam would have arisen, but there was no steam. Instead, it was black smoke from the oil. There was only a small pressure of steam at the time."

Will Start Up Car Shop.
Youngstown, Dec. 4.—The Youngstown Car Manufacturing Company has been purchased by Pittsburghers. The new owners propose to start operations at once, and will for the present confine the work to the repair of wooden and steel freight cars, with the view of later engaging in car manufacture. Working at its capacity the plant will give employment to about 500 men.

Officer Fatally Wounded.
Parkersburg, Va., Dec. 4.—At Union yesterday, the town sergeant states, Guy Spangler tried to arrest Cleveland McDowell for being drunk. McDowell resisted and shot Spangler, inflicting what is thought to be a mortal wound. McDowell was arrested.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

The largest line of fine military at the Fair.

Judge Edward Campbell was here last night on his way to Pittsburgh.

Buy your Monte Carlo coats at 60c on the dollar at the great sale at The Fair.

Henry C. Haston was here yesterday greeting his many old Connellsville friends and business associates.

George Stillwagon has started a boarding stable in the livery barn on Mountain alley, formerly occupied by J. R. Evans.

The beginning of court causes a hull in business in the offices of the local Justices of the Peace. Business of this kind is duller now than it has been all summer.

W. P. Parkhill leaves on Monday for an extended trip through the West. The Courier will greet him as he goes on his way and keep him informed of the doings of home.

Invitations are being issued for a dance which will be given by the York Club in Mercantile Hall, Tuesday evening, December 16th. Kiforff's orchestra will furnish music for the occasion, which promises to be a very enjoyable one.

Captain R. F. Shepard and Patrolmen Jeffreys and Gainer of the Baltimore & Ohio police department were in Somerset attending court Wednesday. They were witnesses in a disorderly conduct case in which the railroad is prosecutor.

Work was begun yesterday in moving the two story frame building that occupies the site of the proposed New Haven National Bank building at Fourth and Main streets, New Haven. The building will be placed at the back of the lot to make room for the new structure.

On the new extra Baltimore & Ohio track which has been built between Davidson and Broad Ford there is a continuous string of coke cars. The string is almost two miles long and more than 200 loads are standing huddled, waiting for motive power to move them west.

Mountaineers were in town yesterday taking orders from merchants for pure Christmas trees. They can furnish them cheaper than they can be shipped from the South, where the greatest supply is cut and shipped.

Sausage and game birds are popular in the country. This is a good weather for butchering.

Residents of the hill district in the Third Ward are complaining about the lack of pavements in that part of town. In the vicinity of the new Third Ward school building the walks are in a very muddy condition. As the law only a short time in this section and until pavements are laid the muddy condition of affairs will probably continue.

W. H. Maust, who for the past several weeks has been at the Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh for an operation for cancer of the face, is greatly improved. A second operation was performed a few days ago, when the cancer was entirely removed. Mr. Maust will return to his New Haven home Sunday, unless there is a change for the worse in his condition.

So far this season the weather has not been severe enough to drive tramps to the shelter prepared for them in the basement of City Hall. The arrangement of the basement for the accommodation of knights of the road is in accordance with the specifications of Zachariah Connell's deed, which specifies that the public grounds shall be "for the use of emigrants and travellers."

Former Speaker Reed's Condition.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Drs. Gardner and MacDonald, after a visit last night to ex-Speaker Reed, issued the following bulletin as giving Mr. Reed's condition at 10 p. m.: "Temperature, 101; pulse 80. Relatively nourishment is much more comfortable in every way." Mrs. Reed and Miss Reed, wife and daughter of the ex-speaker, arrived here last evening from New York.

Served Notice of Contest.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 4.—James G. Harvey, candidate for the legislature from the Fourth district of this county, at the late election, has served notice on his Democratic opponent, Bernard J. Perry, that he will contest his election. Perry was declared elected by 10 plurality.

Steamer Toledo Tied Up.

Montreal, Dec. 1.—The steamer *Toledo*, built at Toledo, and bound for Port Arthur, Texas, is in port and may have to winter here because of the fact that the boys have been removed from the St. Lawrence channel. The regular pilots decline to take the vessel down to the Atlantic.

Sale Ratified.

Cleveland, Dec. 4.—The sale of the Toledo-Detroit Shore Line electric railroad to the Grand Trunk and Cleveland railroads for \$1,500,000 was ratified yesterday. A large share of the purchase price is to be paid in bonds.

Boy Commits Suicide.

Marietta, O., Dec. 4.—James French, a boy 17 years old, committed suicide this morning by drinking carbolic acid at the home of Mrs. Retta Uhlman.

Christmas Suggestion.

The best possible present, and one forever to be enjoyed, would be a building lot.

Thirty beautiful, level lots will be sold from now till Christmas at special low prices upward of \$125: \$10 down and balance on easy payments. And we have a list of Real Estate bargains, positively money making opportunities. Whether it is a home, a lot or a farm you wish to buy, sell or lease, come and see us; if you can't come, send for us and we'll come and talk it over.

KOBACKER'S, REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

There'll Be Something Doing

At our store from now until after the holiday season, as we have a fine line of Christmas goods, consisting of

High Grade Jewelry, Silverware and Christmas Novelties.

A present selected from this elegant assortment can be given with a feeling that it will be received with smiles.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

will be plentiful this year and many of them will come from our stock.

C. T. GILES,

Marietta Blvd., N. Pittsburg Street.

CONNELLSVILLE THEATRE.

FRED. ROBBINS, Manager.

Thursday, December 4th,

W. A. PETERS

In LEROY J. FRENCH'S Big Production of the Four Act Comedy Drama,

THE KING OF TRAMPS.

By A. W. Tremayne and living L. Hall, Authors of "A Secret Warrant," "Lost—24 Hours," "The Dagger and the Cross."

Under Management of HARRY LEVY.

A STARTLING STORY TRUE TO LIFE.

A Carload of Special Scenery. An Unequalled Cast. An Abundance of Specialties.

Prices, 25, 35, 50 and 75c. Seats on Sale at Clarke's Jewelry Store.

A. B. KURTZ, JEWELER.

On removal of First National Bank.

Watch This Space.

WINTER HAS COME . . . AT LAST

And what we need is to keep our homes comfortable while it lasts.

A Coal or Gas Heater will just answer the purpose.

We are offering the best quality at reasonable prices.



Give us a call.

THE TURNER HARDWARE & SUPPLY CO., LTD.,

116 West Main Street.

The Workingman's Suit

We have given special attention this season to Suits for Workingmen. Working clothes should be made of the stronger materials possible. They should be made in the most thorough, honest, and painstaking manner, and at the same time they must fit, look neat, and feel comfortable and easy.

We have the suits that will meet these requirements and please the workingman exactly. Suits at \$8, \$10, \$12 or \$15. Then we back up our suits with a guarantee, that every one of them shall be worth the price we ask or we will refund the money. Mr. Workingman, you'll take no risk here.

E. W. HORNER, Men's and Boy's Clothing,

New Market Building, The White Front, Connellsville.

KNOWING HOW

CHRISTMAS is always a happy occasion with those who know how to make it so.

THOSE WHO KNOW HOW never overlook

JEWELRY.

THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW how will find many suggestions here.

Watches, Rings, Silverware and

Christmas Novelties.

C. L. Clarke,

North Pittsburg Street.

A STRIKING PROPOSITION.

There is no one thing that beautifies a parlor more than a clock and we have, without doubt the finest display of

Gold

Clocks

ever seen in Connells-

ville. They are all beau-

ties with prices attached that are not beyond your

pocketbook. See this line before selecting a Christ-

mas present.

MRS. J. B. WAYS,

West Main Street, next door to Postoffice, Connellsville, Pa.

PUNITIVE MEASURES.

Germany and England Have Commenced Operations Against Venezuela.

WAR VESSELS HAVE BEEN SENT.

The Venezuelan Commissioners Will Make No Suggestion to Europe Until the Attitude of the United States Has Been Ascertained.

London, Dec. 4.—Great Britain and Germany, according to official statements here, have commenced punitive measures against Venezuela. German war vessels, it is stated, are already on the scene of the contemplated action, and Great Britain, by today should have a squadron there capable of coping with any resistance that Venezuela might offer.

Meanwhile the Associated Press correspondent is informed that no definite answer has yet been received from Washington by the financiers here who wish to bring about a pacific settlement. An important communication one way or the other is expected from Washington today. If the United States is willing to give its moral support to the request that Venezuela be allowed time to fulfill the suggested bargain the plans thereof will at once be submitted to the British Foreign office. If Washington refuses to suggest to the European powers that Venezuela be allowed time, it is probable that the financial house now interested will drop the plan altogether. In the latter alternative the Venezuelan delegation here is likely to submit the suggested settlement to the British and German governments with an application for time to admit of their entering into negotiations with other financial interests.

Status Seriously Affected.

The Venezuelan delegates maintain that their status has been seriously affected by the adoption of the aggressive measures announced yesterday, but they declare that it would be obviously bad policy, in spite of the critical position of their country, to make any suggestion to Europe until the attitude of the United States, both as a joint creditor and a largely interested political power, had been ascertained. The Associated Press correspondent is in a position to state that Venezuela offers the payment of a unified loan of over \$3,000,000 interest yearly, guaranteed by the customs, with the establishment of a European bank at Caracas to superintend the collection. The whole plan is on a basis similar to that on which Brazil satisfied its European creditors. If such a method is now followed the Venezuelan delegation maintains that all claims can eventually be met, whereas it alleges that the temporary seizure of the customs would so disturb the commerce of the country as to practically render it impossible to satisfy the European bondholders, and would bring with it the danger of another revolution.

Details Unknown to Powers.

All these details are still unknown to the powers who have ordered their warships to Venezuela. In spite of the announcement of joint action by Great Britain and Germany, the British ministry exhibits not a little perplexity over the Berlin dispatch of December 1, announcing that President Castro had handed to the German minister at Caracas a written acceptance of part of Germany's claims sufficiently comprehensive to delay the presentation of a joint ultimatum by Germany and Great Britain. If not rendering it altogether unnecessary, and also stating that it was understood that Great Britain's demands would be satisfied. Not the slightest official information to this effect has reached London.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

Paris, Dec. 4.—The finance committee of the senate has approved the bill authorizing the participation of France in the St. Louis exposition.

San Juan, Dec. 4.—Attorney General Harlan sailed yesterday in order to attend the banquet to be given to his father, Justice Harlan, at Washington.

St. Thomas, D. W. I., Dec. 4.—Gen. Sam, the former president of Hayti, arrived here yesterday from France. He has announced his intention of residing in St. Thomas.

Bochum, Prussia, Dec. 4.—Ten persons were burned to death early yesterday and others were dangerously injured here as the result of a fire which broke out in a bakery.

Berlin, Dec. 4.—First Secretary Dodge has been gazetted as chargé d'affaires of the United States embassy and yesterday had his first interview with the foreign office officials.

Berlin, Dec. 4.—The majority groups in the Reichstag have determined to pass the tariff bill before Christmas. According to the present program they will try to pass the second reading by Saturday and pass the third reading next week.

Berlin, Dec. 4.—Mr. White, the retiring ambassador, has received Emperor William's present. It is a vase about three feet high, with the emperor's portrait on one side and a representation of the old schloss of Berlin on the other. The only inscription is the imperial cipher.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Trading Hesitating and Uncertain in Hands of Smaller Speculators.

Bonds Dull and Irregular.

New York, Dec. 4.—Prices were above and below Tuesday night's level in yesterday's market. The trading, which has been strictly professional for several days, was in the hands of the smaller class of traders, and their operations showed increasing hesitation and uncertainty.

The chief repressive influence on speculation was the tightening course of the money market. There was no money offering on call at less than 7 per cent at the opening. The rate subsequently declined as low as 6 per cent during the active period of the day, and to below that before the close. Time money was distinctly firmer, 6 per cent being quoted for all periods up to six months, with commission demanded for the shorter periods, which made the rate equivalent to 7 per cent.

The trading element showed its disappointment that the President's message had failed to stimulate speculation, and with the additional discouragement at the high money rate there was a progressive decrease in the activity of the market.

Bonds were dull and irregular. Total sales, par value, \$1,700,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on the last call.

Alaska Governor's Report.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Gov. Brady, of Alaska in his annual report makes the following recommendations: An overhauling of the public land laws; an appropriation to provide for an Alaska exhibit at the St. Louis exposition; amendments to the liquor license law; enactment of a donation claims law to run for five years; a delegate to look after the interests of the district in Washington; a commissioner of fisheries, with vessel, helpers, etc.; a commissioner of mines, similar to the minister of mines in British Columbia; a commission to examine into the condition of the natives of Alaska, and to report to congress with recommendations; encouragement to those who are undertaking to furnish means of transportation; that Alaska shall be made a light-house district, and furnished a tender to do the work.

American Sanitary Conference.

Washington, Dec. 4.—The sanitary conference of the American republics devoted yesterday's sessions to reports from delegates. These described sanitary conditions and made numerous suggestions. Dr. Juan Gutierrez, of Havana, declared that there had not been a case of yellow fever originating in Cuba during the past 14 months. Dr. Moore, of Chili, invited the conference to meet next year in Santiago de Chili, and a similar invitation was received from the city of Mexico. Dr. Ulloa, of Costa Rica, protested against the restrictions imposed at the port of New Orleans on Costa Rican products as unjust. He said that Costa Rica was quite free from contagious diseases.

Brewers Settle Troubles.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 4.—The contest since last February between the brewers of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport and the United Brewery Workers ended yesterday, when both sides reached an agreement. The trouble was started by the engineers and firemen recognizing only the jurisdiction of their national unions. The result was reached through a conference commission of the American Federation of Labor, of which Vice President Valentine was chairman. The signing of the agreement raises the boycott placed upon the breweries of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport by the brewery workers' union.

New Rod Mill Starts.

Moseson Pa., Dec. 4.—Yesterday morning President Wallace E. Rowe of Pittsburg opened the steam valve that set in operation the rod mill department of the Pittsburg steel mill, and a few moments later the first billet was rolled. This is the most complete rod mill of its kind in the world and its annual capacity is 130,000 tons. Yesterday 400 additional men were added to the payroll. Superintendent Nash says that by Jan. 1, 1,600 men will be employed in the mill.

Recommends Payment.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 4.—A Mexico City special says: Secretary of the Treasury Limantour has asked congress to authorize the payment of \$1,420,682 Mexican currency to the United States, with \$42,650 interest thereon, in accordance with the award of The Hague arbitration in the matter of the Plus fund. Secretary Limantour informs congress that the expenses incurred in the proceedings amounted to about \$73,000, already have been paid.

Veteran of Two Wars Dead.

Burlington, Ia., Dec. 4.—Dr. G. C. Stone, a veteran of the Crimean and Civil wars, died suddenly last night, aged 73 years.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Ohio—Fair and colder today, except snow in northwest portion; brisk west winds. Tomorrow, fair, with rising temperature.

Western Pennsylvania—Fair in east snow furries in west portion today; colder. Tomorrow, fair; fresh to brisk west winds.

West Virginia—Fair and colder today. Tomorrow, fair; colder in east portion.

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Eight houses for rent in South Connellsville, Pa.; 4, 7 and 8 rooms.

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The chief repressive influence on speculation was the tightening course of the money market. There was no money offering on call at less than 7 per cent at the opening. The rate subsequently declined as low as 6 per cent during the active period of the day, and to below that before the close. Time money was distinctly firmer, 6 per cent being quoted for all periods up to six months, with commission demanded for the shorter periods, which made the rate equivalent to 7 per cent.

The trading element showed its disappointment that the President's message had failed to stimulate speculation, and with the additional discouragement at the high money rate there was a progressive decrease in the activity of the market.

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Some people are stupid because they can't help it, and others are stupid because they want to be, but people of average intelligence can see a brick house before it falls upon them.

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Congress is getting down to business and Senator Quay is in the thick of debate.

Andrew Carnegie is coming across the pond. The Connellsville library will be ready for his inspection.

If Germany and England merely propose to collect their just debts in Venezuela, the Monroe Doctrine ought not to interfere with the course of justice. It was promulgated for the protection of sister republics from foreign aggression, not as a shield for rascality.

The Sligo mill is a sure thing, and it will be a good thing for Connellsville.

Uncle Joe Cannon proved to be the biggest gun in the Speakership contest.

The Sleepy Alley Sheet is only a postal card, to be sure, but it contains more matter of a live news nature than all the patent inside almanacs in town, and it will get there. Watch it.

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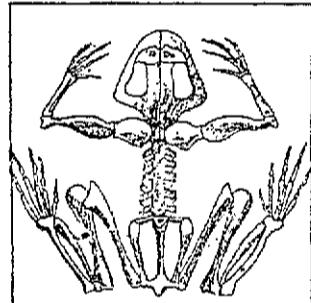
Little Creatures About Our Homes

By LE ROY WELD

IV.—Frogs and Toads.

Since the people of this country have begun to imitate the French in that they have taken to eating frogs' legs as among the daintiest of morsels, a new interest has been manifested in the study of this cold-blooded creature. The frog is an amphibian, that is, it lives entirely in the water, and by means of gills obtains from the water the oxygen for the purification of its blood. Later in life it becomes an air-breather, with lungs resembling those of the higher warm-blooded animals.

In early spring frogs resort to some pool, where the female lays a great number of eggs, a thousand or more, each about the size of a common pin-head and all enveloped in an albuminous substance which serves in a measure to protect them. Through this the dark brown eggs are seen as little dots, quite evenly distributed. As the eggs are laid by the female they are arranged in irregular masses by the male. Frogs are ordinarily rather solitary in their lives, but at the breeding season they frequently congregate in



Skeleton of Frog, Showing Absence of Ribs and Development of Hind Leg Bones.

large numbers in some sequestered pond. Frogs and toads do not gather at the same place for breeding. The eggs of the toad are arranged by the male in long spirals. The frogs and the toads of this country leave their eggs to be hatched by the warmth of the sun and give their progeny no further attention. If the weather is warm, the eggs hatch in a few days, but in cool weather they frequently require four or even six weeks.

Before leaving the albuminous substance which surrounds the egg the baby frog, which is called a tadpole, resembles a fish and has no appendages except a tail. The embryo frog is then about half an inch long. External gills are very rapidly developed. Water is drawn into the mouth and passed out through these branching gills to furnish air for the purification of the blood. These gills are absorbed in a few days, and the external gills, resembling those of a fish, are formed. About this time the hind legs make their appearance near the root of the tail and grow rapidly, the tail being absorbed quite as fast. The front limbs are now added, and lungs are substituted for the gills, and the little "polliwog" becomes a frog. It has changed from a water-breathing to an air-breathing animal, and its diet has changed from vegetable to animal.

The largest of the frogs in the United States is the bullfrog, though several other species are common in this country. All of them resemble one another both in appearance and habits. The hind legs are much longer than the front legs, which fact renders walking nearly impossible, but the frog is peculiarly adapted to leaping, not only by the great size and strength of the hind legs, but by the peculiar manner in which it folds them when at rest. It is these large, muscular hind legs that are so much sought after by the epicure, and well they may be, for they are as much more delicate than chicken as that is more delicate than beef. The hind legs are the only parts of the frog usually eaten. The flesh is much more delicate and nutritious in the fall of the year than in the spring, when the frog has just come out of its winter quarters. In some places frogs are now being raised for food. Across the bay from San Francisco is a large ranch upon which several ponds are kept constantly stocked with frogs intended for the city market. The frog has a smooth, moist skin, which readily absorbs oxygen and aids the lungs materially in aerating the blood, so that the frog, though he has lost the gills of his babyhood, can still plunge into the water and bury himself in soft mud and exist for a long time without seeking the open air.

The frog swallows air through a slit in the floor of his mouth much in the same way that we swallow water. He has no ribs to expand his chest and no diaphragm, except a rudimentary one, to be depressed for the enlargement of the chest. In fact, he has no chest, for the whole body cavity is but one. Hence if his mouth were kept open he would suffocate, even while surrounded by an abundance of pure air, especially if his skin were to become dry. The tadpole, being a water-breather, has no voice; but, as every one knows, in the frog the vocal chords are well developed, particularly in the male, which has such a complete control over them that his voice varies from a loud croak to a tone so soft that it seems to come from a great distance, even when produced within a few yards of us. The frog is therefore a model ventriloquist.

Frogs have many enemies which prey upon them throughout their lives. It is estimated that not more than one tenth of 1 per cent live to go into their first winter quarters. If they escape being captured by some enemy, they live twenty years or more.

Among reptiles the serpents are the worst enemies of frogs; among fishes, the pickerel and bass; among birds, the vultures and storks. It is said that frogs breed so rapidly in the pools left by the receding Nile that were it not for the storks, which are there very numerous, they would overrun the whole valley of that historic river.

Frogs are themselves voracious feeders, preying upon insects and their larvae, worms, and other small animals in great numbers and sometimes devouring their own species. The tongue of both the frog and the toad, attached to the front angle of the lower jaw, is several inches long, points backward when not in use and is the instrument used in capturing insects. With its tongue the frog or toad grasps an insect somewhat as a cowboy grasps an untamed steer.

These intruders can live for a long time without food and with but little air, but not for a great number of years, as some would have us believe. After these long fasts they will eat almost fabulous numbers of insects. One writer speaks of having fed a captive toad twenty-three squash bugs and ninety-four caterpillars, each an inch and a half in length, before it turned away to digest its meal. Certain it is that an animal which will devour so many insects in so short a time must be of value to the gardener.

As stated above, each female frog or toad may produce a thousand young in a single season. We need not look far, therefore, to find an explanation of the appearance of such vast numbers of these young creatures occasionally just after a warm shower in the late spring or early summer. We need not accept the impossible statement that they have fallen from the clouds, though it has come down to us from the early Grecian times. The writer, when a boy was wandering through the sparsely timbered woods of southern Michigan on a warm day in early May when he came to one of the numerous shallow ponds that dot the whole region, and his attention was attracted by the great number of toads assembled in and about the margin of the quiet pool. It was their breeding season, and many of them were laying their eggs. It seemed that there must be millions of eggs in that pond. I attempted to count the toads, but after getting well along in the hundreds and seeing that I had gone but a short distance around the pond I became discouraged and gave up the attempt. As the pond was thirty or forty rods in circumference,

there must have been 4,000 or 5,000 toads.

The five long toes on the hind foot of the frog are connected by a thin membrane, which aids the frog very much in swimming, but the toes on the front foot are neither webbed nor clawed. None of the toes of the toad is webbed. The toad differs from the frog also in living on land except during the egg laying time. The skin of the toad is dry, rough and covered with warts, and its legs are much more nearly equal in size than those of the frog. The toad has been known to live thirty-five years. The frog is well supplied with teeth in the upper jaw, while the toad has none. Both are ineffective and harmless creatures, and both, the toad especially, are very useful to man in destroying garden pests. Handling toads does not produce warts, as some suppose, nor are these little creatures poisonous. There is a slight exudation from the skin which, if transferred to the eyes, will make them smart temporarily. The toad frequently sheds its outer skin. When it has entirely freed itself from the old coat, it rolls it up in a ball and swallows it. Both frogs and toads crawl into holes or crevices when cold weather comes and sleep quietly there until spring, when they come out very hungry and are soon as active as ever.

The tree frog is a small species which lives an arboreal life, but in the spring it takes to the water, where its eggs are deposited and where the young pass through the tadpole stage. Their toes are supplied with little sucking disks, which aid them in clinging to the underside of leaves and stems.

The "horned toads" are not in the least related to the toads, but are true lizards.

There is a large toad, called the Surinam toad, living in the northern part of South America, which ought to be mentioned, though none of the species lives in the United States. The peculiar breeding habits of this toad make it one of the most remarkable of the entire order. With the female deposits her eggs, the male immediately places them on the mother's back, where they adhere. A cell, which is covered by a little lid, soon forms over each. In this cell the tadpole passes through all its changes, and when it finally bursts from its prison house it is a complete specimen, much larger than the eggs from which it came. This shows that it must have received some nourishment from the mother while in its temporary home.

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The Prairie to Be a Training Ship. Upon the conclusion of the maneuvers in the Caribbean sea this winter it is the intention of the navy department to detach the cruiser Prairie from the north Atlantic squadron and fit her out as a training ship, says the Washington Star. This action is in view of the large number of recruits that have recently been gathered from all parts of the country by the recruiting parties sent out last summer.

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DONALD DONALDSON, JR.

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By HOWARD FIELDING

CHAPTER XIII THE DESIRE OF THE MOTH FOR THE STAR."

THE affair of the miser's hand made a great stir. I never have been able to trace the ways by which it got into print, but within thirty-six hours the newspapers seemed to be full of it.

I should not have regretted very seriously the publication of the exact facts, but the controversy which resulted was somewhat annoying. Donald suffered, but he bore it well. He was beset by interviewers and persons with cameras; all sorts of absurd tests were proposed to him; he received letters from many serious minded investigators and a multitude of cranks, and there were several proposals from theatrical managers who wished to exhibit him. The photographers secured plenty of snapshots, but the interviewers were obliged to depend upon their own imaginations, for Donald would not say a word to any of them.

All Tunbridge became a debating society, though there was far less skepticism than I should have expected. My main concern is with the attitude of two persons, both of whom were witnesses of the manifestations—I refer to Bunn and Kelvin.

The effect upon Jim Bunn was most remarkable. I may truthfully say that he was never the same man afterward. He had been profoundly impressed.

Upon Kelvin the effect was peculiar. I will wager all I possess that he had no more doubt originally as to the genuineness of the manifestations than I had. Upon that night he was shaken to his very vitals by what he saw. Yet upon the third day afterward he told Isaac Thorndyke, an old resident of Tunbridge, that it was all mere trickery.

Thorndyke was the most notorious babbler who ever existed. He never kept a secret longer than the time required to go from the person who gave it into his keeping to the next with whom he had a speaking acquaintance. Kelvin, though a newcomer in the town, could not have been ignorant of this. There seemed no escape from the conclusion that he had deliberately selected the person most likely to spread the story broadcast.

I was enraged at this, and I taxed Kelvin with the slander. He showed a considerable backbone, saying that he had only expressed a private opinion to an acquaintance and blaming Thorndyke for repeating that which had been told in confidence. The scene between Kelvin and myself was very unpleasant, and I could not help feeling throughout its duration that he was secretly trying to make it worse.

In the end I said something quite sharp, to the effect that he was an ungrateful brute who ought to be walking on four feet and that, moreover, he was the last member of the animal kingdom that had a right to accuse another of underhand devices and dishonest trickery. This opened the breach once more between the Kelvin family and my own. Poor Donald! His boyish love affair was progressing over a very rough road.

There was some reason to regret this quarrel which would embitter the war for the control of the branch road. Carl Archer had a talk with me upon this point and suggested that it was very unfortunate to involve Mr. Thorndyke in the quarrel, because he was a stockholder in the branch. I perceived the gravity of the situation; but, having already given Thorndyke a piece of my mind, I could hardly take it back. However, I could not believe that he would make this an excuse for deserting our party, to which he had pledged allegiance before the incident arose.

"I think that Donald is carrying this matter a little too far," said Carl. "It is true that he doesn't seem to be doing any harm, but we can't be sure that he won't, because we don't know the motive which has led him into all this wonder-working."

"Why don't you ask him?" said I. "I wish that you would," he replied very earnestly. "He's outside. Call him in."

"It won't do any good," said I.

"Try it," he rejoined.

He got up on a chair and looked through the glass of the partition which is between my room and the main office. The glass part was once movable, but I had it fastened permanently some years ago and even added a double sash in order to exclude more effectively the noise from the outer office, where many people were employed.

"He's out there, talking with Tim Healy," he said and called Donald's name, but the partition is so thorough-

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were as the boy had stated them.

"I want you to ask my father for these papers," said Donald. "When you go up to the house this noon, you can stop at the bank with him and get them. Don't let anybody else see you take them, don't tell anybody that you have them, and ask my father not to mention the circumstance at all. Will you do this?"

I saw no objection, and told him so. Then I asked what I should do with the documents.

"Put them into that little handbag," said he, pointing to one which was beside my desk. "Don't take them out while you're at the house. Afterward bring them down here and put them in this safe. When you have done so, change the combination."

Evidently he wanted me to have them in a place where I could get them handily and at any hour of the day, not in a bank, which closed at 4 in the afternoon, and in a box which nobody but his father, then seemingly threatened with an illness, could open.

But what was the value of the papers? As I now know that it was nothing, I will not enlarge upon the question, though it bothered me at the time. The only indication I could get was that Isaac Thorndyke had been concerned in the correspondence in question, though how the fact could be used to influence his vote in the coming stockholders' meeting I was unable to understand. However, I did precisely as Donald had asked me to do, and by 2 in the afternoon the papers reposed in my safe, the door of which would answer only to violence or to my own hand.

That evening Donald asked me very particularly whether I had followed his instructions. He seemed to regard the matter as extremely important, and he took me into the library to speak more privately, though there was no one about, for Donaldson had gone to his room and Dorothy and Carl to a neighbor's house.

We sat together in a window looking out at the moonlight which was flooding over the roof of the long, low house and pouring down the slope of the lawn beyond in a great white stream.

Suddenly I heard steps upon the path that ran in the shadows below the window, and a voice cried, "Dorothy!" The tone was strange and somehow it went to my heart.

"Carl and my little mother," said Dorothy; "they're coming back."

He left the window and walked out of the room. I was vaguely glad that he should go and was, indeed, prompted to follow him, but somehow I could not do so.

Carl and Dorothy had stopped below the window. As the room was dark, they could not have suspected that any one was within, hearing of their voices. After the single word which I had overheard there was silence for nearly a minute.

"Carl," said Dorothy, speaking as one who has summoned up strength to meet an emergency, "I won't have this. It shall not be so."

"You refuse to listen to me," he responded. "You will not let me speak."

"I care nothing for that," she answered. "I can protect myself from your addresses. What I won't have is the fact! The thing shan't be true."

"I don't understand you," said he almost in a whisper.

"You are spelling something that is too good to be spoiled," she answered. "Look at our life here in this house. See how this man, once lawless and alone, has gathered around him those who love him. See how beautiful a life we lead under his roof. Why, Carl, you and I have played together as innocently as if we were children. Have you the heart to bring such common infamy as this into a scene so sweet?"

"It isn't infamy," he protested. "My love for you!"

"Say blasphemy. If you prefer the word," she cried. "It seems to me like that when uttered in this little corner of the world that has been snared as



"It will not quarrel," said he sadly, the very presence of God in his own temple to me. Be sure and honest, Carl. How can you deliberately sacrifice the friendship of my husband and of Mr. Harrington, to say nothing of

mine?"

"As for you, Dorothy," he replied with an emotion of which I would not have thought him capable, "I cannot be your friend. God knows that I have tried."

"If God had known it," said she, "you would not have failed. He would have given you the strength to succeed. No; you have not tried."

"I cannot be your friend," insisted Carl. "As for the friendship of the others, do you fancy that I shall tell them?"

"Do you fancy that I shan't?" retorted Dorothy, almost in tears from shame and rage. "How dare you hint that I would share a secret with you and exclude my husband? I wouldn't do it if it were about a pint of peanuts, and you should have found that out by this time."

I had a glimpse of Carl at this moment, and his face was so white that it seemed to shine.

"You will tell him," said he slowly. "It is honorable. But upon the other hand I was equally bound in honor to tell you."

"You were bound in honor not to have any such thing to tell," replied Dorothy with spirit.

"We will not quarrel," said he sadly. "I have only one word more to say. The time must soon come when I shall offer you the deepest sympathy of my heart. I cannot offer it to you in the name of friendship. I won't lie to you. That is why I tell you now that I love you."

"It seems to me that if you foresee trouble coming to me you have now put it out of your power to help me. But what do you mean? Do you expect harm to come to my husband?"

"Will you keep the secret?"

"Not from him," she answered firmly. "If there is good reason, I will keep it from everybody else."

"I cannot speak on such terms," said Carl. "Indeed, I would better not speak on any terms. I have lost your esteem. I cannot count upon your help. You would distrust me. But, Dorothy, remember this: There is some one very near and dear to you—much dearer than he has any right to be—whom I have honestly tried to save, but I have failed."

Dorothy was more bewildered than alarmed.

"I know that my husband has lost money," she said. "Mr. Bunn has led him into a very foolish investment. He may suffer heavily, but it will be no such catastrophe as you imagine."

This, by the way, was the first hint I had received that Donaldson had gone with Bunn into a certain wild dream of infamy which I will here describe simply as the Harbrough Land company. I had earnestly advised Donaldson against it, and I supposed that he had heeded my warning. As for Bunn, I understood that he had drawn out with a marvelously small loss. My conscience had been dragging me away from that window; now it dragged me back again.

"That is but a small part of the trouble," said Carl. And then suddenly: "Dorothy, don't disclose this. You will regret it. I have spoken to you from really good motives, even though they may seem to be mistaken, and in the strictest confidence."

"There can be no confidence of this kind with a wife," said Dorothy. "If she really is one. But, Carl, I begin to see some sort of sincerity in you, and this is what I will do to reward it: I will tell my husband that you have spoken in a way to offend me, but that I have forgiven you, and I will beg him not to ask me any questions. I will not say, unless directly asked, that you have spoken to me of his business difficulties, which I believe that you greatly exaggerate. But I can take this course only if you promise me to change from the heart outward—to be to me in all your thoughts that which you may honorably be, and no more. Will you do this?"

"How can I look at you?" he began, but she interrupted him crying:

"Carl, this is monstrous! I am an old woman. I am the mother of a grown man. I have lived my life, and it has been a wondrous and beautiful life to live. I have had such love—such perfect love!"

"You talk with me," he said in a sudden rage. "Your husband is as cold as the dead. He neglected you openly. He has no eye for your beauty, for this living miracle of your unfading youth which has been bestowed upon you, in my belief, that you might wait for a real love!"

"I have not had to wait," said Dorothy in a voice indescribably sweet. "And now," she added, "this is the end, absolutely the end. I asked you for a promise. Give it to me and think upon whatever is most sacred to you while you speak."

"I will think upon that which is most sacred to me," he said, looking straight into her face, "and for the sake of it I will either conquer my heart or surrender it with all my mortal part to the dust of the earth—to the unconscious dust that cannot suffer."

This pledge struck me as somewhat querulous, and yet it was spoken with heart-breaking sincerity and seemed to have a considerable effect upon Dorothy.

Railroad Time Tables.



PITTSBURG DIVISION AND BRANCHES.

On and after Nov. 23rd, 1902, passenger trains will leave Connellsville for Chicago via Pittsburgh and Akron without change. Express 12:10 and 6:15 p. m. daily.

To Cleveland, 5:05 a. m. and 6:15 p. m. daily.

To Pittsburgh, week days, 5:05, 7:10, 7:55.

11:05 a. m., 1:10, 2:45, 3:14, 4:10, 5:15.

Sundays, 5:05, 7:40, 7:55 a. m., and 1:10, 6:14 and 7:10 p. m.

For Washington, Pa., and Wheeling—Week days, 5:05, 11:05 a. m.; 1:10 and 6:14 p. m. Sundays, 5:05 a. m., 1:10 and 6:14 p. m.

For Mount Pleasant—Week days, 8:30 a. m., 8:45 and 9:30 p. m.

For Uniontown—Week days, 7:55, 9:30 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Leckrone—Week days, 7:55 a. m.

For Morgantown—Week days, 9:30 a. m. and 6:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:30 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairmont—Week days, 9:30 a. m., 4:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:30 a. m.

For Cleveland, via Pittsburgh, daily, 5:05 a. m., and 1:10 p. m.

For Washington, Boston and all points in the East, express, daily, 9:45 a. m., 2:45 and 7:15 p. m.

For Confluence and Krug—8:30 a. m., except Sunday.

For Johnstown and points on the S. & C. Branch—Week days, 8:30, 8:45 a. m., 2:45 p. m. Sundays, 2:45 p. m.

For Berlin—Week days, 8:30 a. m. and 2:45 p. m.

For Cumberland—Daily Express trains, 8:30 a. m., 2:45 and 6:30 p. m. Daily accommodation trains, 8:30 a. m. and 2:15 p. m.

For Shamokin Junction and points on the N. & W. R. 12:45 a. m., 2:45 and 10:30 p. m. daily.

For Harper's Ferry and Valley District Points—10:45 a. m., 2:45 and 10:30 p. m. Week days only.

If you want to secure through tickets, reserve Pullman car space, or get information concerning time, trains, and rates, call at the Baltimore & Ohio depot, Connellsville, Pa., H. L. DOUGLAS, Ticket Agent.

D. B. MARTIN, Gen. Mgr. Pass. Traffic.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

(Southwest Branch)

On and after June 15th, 1902, trains will depart and arrive as follows:

Southbound—For Dunbar, Redstone Junction, Uniontown, 8:15, 10:32 a. m., 3:40 and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairchance—10:32 a. m., 3:30 and 6:45 p. m.

Northbound—For Scottsdale and Greensburg and all points on the main line, 7:22, 9:30 a. m., 2:05 and 5:30 p. m.

For information concerning rates of fare, call on or a trustee the following agents:

Albert Hutchinson, Pittsburgh; W. D. McCormick, Uniontown; and H. C. Dunbar; H. C. Watt, Passenger Agent, Western District, 206 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, Gen. Mgr., J. R. WOOD, Gen. Pass. Agt.

L. A. ROBISON, Gen. Pass. Agt.

J. R. YOUNG, Superintendent.

WASHINGTON R.R. R.

Trains leave Layton daily for Star Junction at 8:25 a. m. and 5:50 and 7:20 p. m.

Trains leave New Haven Depot for West Pittsburg, McKeever, and Youngstown daily at 7:45 a. m

HEADLIGHT FLASHES.

An Extension of the Confluence & Oakland to Morgantown, W. Va.

WOULD DEVELOP WHARTON TWP.

Railroad Notes and News Gathered Off the Connellsville and Pittsburgh Divisions—Personal Mention Among the Trainmen

Baltimore & Ohio railroad engineers are surveying an extension of the Confluence & Oakland branch. The contemplated extension directs to the right at a point near the present terminus of the road and strikes off through the mountainous portion of Fayette county into Northern West Virginia. The object of the extension is to open up large timber and coal tracts which are now practically left out of the market owing to their location from the railroad. The extension would connect with the Baltimore & Ohio at Morgantown, forming a short line between Northern West Virginia and certain points on the main line of the Baltimore & Ohio. Wharton township would be the greatest gainer by the new road. There are coal deposits of great value there and timber lands that are impossible to develop unless a railroad is built into them. Options have been taken on thousands of acres of coal and timber along the proposed line. The engineers now have their headquarters at Farmington and are working towards Morgantown.

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And ev Miller a brakeman on the Somerset & Cambria branch lost his right arm Sunday. Miller was on a coal train and was making a coupling on the siding at Hooversville when an engine bumped the cars together. His right arm was caught and terribly mangled. Miller is taken to the Memorial Hospital Johnstown where his arm was amputated just below the elbow.

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W. S. Grimes Division Bureau has accepted a position as night telegraph operator and ticket collector for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Connellsville. A number of years ago he was the Baltimore & Ohio agent at Dawson. He left the employ of the company and was in the Revenue Service as gauger under Cleveland's administration. He says the ticket collector sounds are still familiar.

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No successor to B. W. Duer lately made Superintendent of the Pittsburg Division has been appointed. Duer was the Baltimore representative of the transportation department in the Pittsburg and Connellsville districts.

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The operating department of the Baltimore & Ohio announce that the recently erected interlocking switch plants at Ellrod, Vista and Reduction on the Pittsburg Division will be placed in use this week.

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The recent rains have helped no little power on the Connellsville and Pittsburg Divisions. The water is 50 per cent better than it was ten days ago and that makes a big difference in the steaming abilities of engines that are heavily loaded.

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One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Somerset & Cambria railroad occurred Friday morning at Wilson Creek branch junction when a coal train broke in two and came to gether again with a crash demolishing the engine and telescoping eight or nine cars. None of the trainmen were hurt. Travel was delayed for eight or nine hours.

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Construction work is one half completed on the Baltimore & Ohio's new line from Confluence via the Casselman valley to the east end of Brookfield. The present line is nearly four miles long between the places named. The new route is about one and one half miles longer but it possesses a decided advantage in grades. Over the new line it will be the rule to operate trains of 20 tons greater weight than at present in this and this with one engine to the sum, the helpers now absolutely necessary. Passengers as well as freight trains will run east on the new line when it is completed which will be the next spring.

Y. M. C. A. Lecture Course

The third number in the Y. M. C. A. lecture course will be the entertainment of Mrs. the Prince of Wales in Library Hall Friday evening December 12th. A member of the committee went to Scotland to see Mrs. on Monday evening last and reports an excellent program full of novelties and difficult tests well executed. A very limited number of desirable seats are still for sale for the performance here and will be disposed of to first comers.

MOUNTAIN MATTERS.

Normalville Dec 1—Goldie little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Dickey while being brought home from school fell off a horse and fractured one at the wrist of her right arm. The little sufferer was brought to Dr. Herman who reduced the fracture and the child is getting along nicely. Thanksgiving was observed here by closing the schools, services in the Methodist Episcopal Church in the evening by Rev. Irvin and generally abstaining from work. Of course everybody had turkey and the usual custom of inviting neighbors to dinner was very largely observed.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark a daughter.

Howard Martin who was teaching the Clinton's hotel in Saltillo township resigned and DeWitt Sanner of Normalville been elected to fill out the term.

Editor Deaths of Rev. Fawcett Republican was exciting among friends here and took in the Poplar Run in state Saturday. He is quite well now but his recent update.

George Emery of the Normalville prudential company in Normalville has died. Mr. Emery's son

is better but is unable to be with his son. Since he left home in Medina, Pa. for several months he will remain here this winter with his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. David Shorbondy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Atkinson were at Stahlstown Saturday and Sunday.

A very interesting incident we held at Poplar Run Saturday. The teachers generally responded to their duties the quiet boy was a pleasant feature and resort to some short and special which were highly relish by the pupils.

Linley B. Fisher moved to Scott lake. We are sorry to see him go but we can congratulate Scott lake on getting a No. 1 citizen.

Mrs. Allen H. Hartzell will leave next Sunday for Mesmerville, Lehigh County, Pa. to pay a visit of about two months to her parents Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smith.

Alex Kooser of Connellsville married with friends here for a few days of the past week.

CONFLUENCE

Interesting Items From Somerset County's Hustling Town

Confluence Dec 1—Policeman Doss Shaw one day last week arrested an Italian who was charged with stealing some jewelry soon after placing the prisoner in a cell in the lockup the Italian was heard screaming and struggling. Police man Shaw found him hanging from a suspender which he had tied about his neck and a bar in the cell. A physician was called and soon brought him around.

The Elk Lick Coal Company are preparing to open up a larger tract of coal and increase their production.

Henry Kurz who has sold his home on Hustart street to Dr. Heminger expects to locate in Atlantic City.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new Baltimore & Ohio station. Traffic on the road at this point has increased two fold during the past two years.

Colwell Youngkin has sold his house on Latrobe avenue to Calvin Coughenour who has moved into it from his farm near town.

H. B. Tissue is a new clerk in Anerson's clothing store.

Dawson Brevities

Mrs. J. R. Laubers and Mrs. Risdon were in Connellsville Wednesday.

Miss Trax of Uniontown is visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Huston this week.

Dr. Harry J. Bell is in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Lizzie Nixon is in Connellsville today.

H. M. McDonald was in Connellsville last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Laughrey of Victoria, Pa. are in town today.

The boys in Dawson are talking of organizing a base ball team for the coming season. Dawson has lots of talent to pick from and can get a first rate team without going out of town.

There will also be first class football team next season. The Dawson boys can play ball if they only like it.

Johnson Gates

At the 1st of the month he held a parent and Mr. J. M. Gare in his home in their daughter Elsie. C. Gare was married to J. M. Gare of New Salem. Eight school children the trains of the wedding march played by Miss Anna Larson the organist played the piano at the service by Mr. and Mrs. Black and Samuel McCormick and Miss Larson of California, Pa. where the ceremony was performed by Rev. S. Negley in the presence of about 100 guests. The bride and groom were recipients of many handsome and useful presents.

Dead at 93

Mrs. Catherine Loucks, died at Scottdale aged 93 years.

HOT METAL FELL ON MILLMEN.

Big Ladle Upset, Killing Two Fatally Injuring One and Seriously Burning Two

Sharon Pa. Dec 1—Two men are dead, one is not expected to recover and two others are in a serious condition as the result of one of the worst accidents in the history of the South Sharon works of the Union Steel Company.

The dead, Evan Roberts, aged 18, resided with his parents at South Sharon arms, legs and head burned off. John Durkin, aged 27, burned about head and body, leaves his family residing on Lincoln avenue.

Fatally injured, Howard Lear aged 21, resides at 417 Franklin Avenue, South Sharon, burned about head and hands, leaves a family.

Others injured, James Lloyd, a foreman of the open hearth, burned about head and hands, married and lives on South Penn street, Sharon. Thomas Riley, 30 years old, ironlayer, burned about the body and hands.

Shortly before noon one of the open hearth furnaces conveying 40 tons of molten steel was started along the traveling car over the top of a north ridge. When just over the heads of the workers, who were working in the dispersion of the metal, the steel was seen to fall directly. It implied a portion of its contents directly upon the heads of those at work below.

Evans Roberts received the greater portion of the burns about head and hands, amounting to a human being was lost. On the furnace was found and was 9 hours before identification was established. Durkin died last evening on account of his burns. On account of injuries he had at the hospital it is necessary to lend admission to his victims until all were removed to their homes.

Recommended Mercy

Elvira O. Dec 1—Thomas Galagher alias James Case, one of the few robbers who attempted to enter the home of the Michel brothers on the night of Oct. 1, for the purpose

It is clear, that of robbery was found guilty yesterday and will be sentenced at the conclusion of a second trial on a 4th indictment which will begin within a day or two.

The jury recommended the prisoner to mercy. Case was tried under a new Ohio law which makes the penalty for the crime of which he is convicted life imprisonment.

The recommendation to mercy however changes the pen

alty to from 16 to 30 years in prison.

Case's three companions were killed by Juries March on the night of the attempted robbery.

P. M. Arthur's Statement.

Cleveland Dec 4—According to P. M. Arthur every skilled workman in the employ of the several railroads in this city has had or will have his wages advanced from 5 to 15 per cent. This will include a number of men on roads which have made no public announcement of the advance. Mr. Arthur also said that he believed the railroad organizations as such would not make any unlisted demand for advances in wages but that the requests would be made by the employees in the respective cities. This has been the plan pursued during the past year and it has been found out after the demands having been granted in most instances.

Fatal Railroad Wreck

Chattanooga, Tenn. Dec 4—In a collision on the Cincinnati Southern railroad at Sunbright, Tenn. early yesterday, the fast passenger train from Cincinnati to Chattanooga was derailed and six coaches were burned.

Two men were killed, a negro tramp fatally injured and eight men seriously hurt. Relief trains from Chattanooga and Somerset hurried to the scene with physicians and the injured were promptly cared for.

Lehigh Scholarships

Philadelphia Dec 4—A letter from President Brown of Lehigh University was read at a meeting of the boys' high school committee of the board of education yesterday stating that four scholarships will be awarded to such graduates of the Central High School as the board of education might recommend. Each scholarship provides free tuition for a four years course in a high university.

Premier Sagasta Resigns

Madrid Dec 4—Premier Sagasta has resigned. He had an audience of King Alfonso yesterday morning at which he presented his resignation and intimated that the step was irrevocable. He informed the king that the opposition had treated him with the most rudeness and discourtesy which he did not deserve.

Cuban Reciprocity Treaty

London Dec 1—According to the Times correspondent at Havana the reciprocity between the United States and Cuba will be signed tomorrow.

The United States says the agreement will reduce the duties on Cuban imports by 20 per cent while the Cuban imports of American products will be reduced to 20 to 50 per cent.

Julian Ralph Seriously Ill

St. Louis Dec 1—Julian Ralph the well known New York correspondent and writer is critically ill at the northern hotel from the effects of a sudden and violent hemorrhage. His physician states that a repetition of the attack would prove fatal.

Sentenced for Horse Stealing

Bloomsburg, Pa. Dec 4—Abe Berger convicted here yesterday of horse stealing was sentenced by Judge Little to 17 years in the state penitentiary.

Friday

Bargain Sale.

Just a few weeks before Christmas. A good suggestion for economical shoppers who want to buy some gifts at reduced prices. Our store offers bargains in every department. We cannot mention them all, of course, but the few values quoted hereafter will give you an idea of the standard of our Friday bargains.

CHILDREN'S COATS. Short and Three-fourths length and Re却ers. There are about 50 of them intended to be sold at \$3, \$4, \$5 and \$6. We'll sell them on Friday only at **\$1.98**

25 LADIES' COATS. Only one of a kind, but all sizes. Regular value of these coats is \$5, \$7 and \$8. On sale Friday at **\$3.98**

SKIRTS. We have too many skirts and need the space. We decided to close out a limited number of the Ladies' and Misses' Walking and Dress Skirts at the low figures of **\$2.98 and \$3.98**

TWO FUR BARGAINS. By chance we have purchased a lot of furs, consisting of regular \$3, \$4 and \$5 values. We are glad to be able to offer you a Fur Bargain at the beginning of the season. We'll sell these furs on **98c and \$2.49** Friday only.

LADIES' HATS. We sacrifice all our Street Hats. They are marked \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50 (about 200 hats), and will be sold at only **98c**

Ostrich and Fancy Feathers at HALF PRICE.

NOVELTY WAISTING in many new designs and colorings. Worth 15 and 18c Friday at **93c** only

RED AND WHITE TABLE DAMASK. The best bargain ever offered, 58 inches wide, regular price 35c. To-morrow at only **17½c**

TOWELING. Bleached and unbleached. Dependable qualities, 5 and 6c values at only **33c**

FANCY OUTING FLANNEL in light and dark colors, plaids and stripes, 5 and 6c values, at only **33c**

VELOURS FOR DRAPERY and Curtains, the most stylish colorings and patterns, actually worth \$1.25 Friday only at **48c**

MEN'S AND BOYS' SWEATERS, heavy weight, in all colors, plain and striped, 50c values, at only **39c**

MEN'S AND BOYS' 50c CAPS of all kinds and sizes, Friday only at **39c**

MEN'S UNDERWEAR, heavy weight, fleece lined. All sizes. 50c values at only **39c**

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